

**DECLARATION FOR NON-PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION***

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below at 201 et seq. beneath my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor if only one name is listed at 201 below, or an original, first and joint inventor if plural names are listed at 201 et seq. below, of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

MULTI-MODE LIGHTER

and for which a patent application:

- ☒ was filed in the United States on August 26, 2003 as Application No. 10/647,505
☒ is identified by Pennie & Edmonds LLP docket No. 618-1170-999

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED PRIOR TO THE FILING DATE OF THE APPLICATION				
APPLICATION NUMBER	COUNTRY	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED	
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

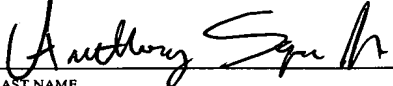
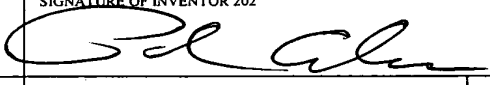
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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for use only when the application is assigned to a company, partnership or other organization.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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**SUBMISSION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND
EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR(S) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.71**

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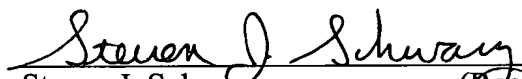
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Enclosed herewith is a Power of Attorney executed by an authorized officer of the Assignee, BIC Corporation. Please place the executed Power of Attorney in the file of the above-identified application.

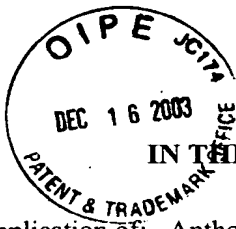
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Respectfully submitted,

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE
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WITH STATEMENT UNDER C.F.R. 3.73(b)**

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Sir:

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Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)


BIC CORPORATION states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment is submitted concurrently herewith for recording.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

ASSIGNEE: BIC CORPORATION

Date: DEC. 9, 2003

Signature:



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